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Dear Mr. Musgrave

This is in response to your 31 July 2012 Freedom of Information Act request you sent to the Air Force request service center for records listed below. Your request was sent to the Air Combat Command to search for any responsive records to your request and to respond directly to you on the results of that search.

Requested Records:

- Any requests for proposals, proposals submitted by vendors, contracts, budgets or cost allocations for the purchase and/or use of aerial drones, UAs, UAVs, and UASs (hereinafter "drones");
- Any policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on department use of drones, including on the legal process required (such as a warrant or court order), if any, before operating a drone;
- Any departmental records concerning this department's use of drones now or plans to use drones in the future including:
 - the types of investigations or instances in which this department is using or plans to use drones, or how it plans to support, manage or oversee the usage of drones by another department or office;
 - policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on storage requirements or procedures for video or static images obtained through use of drones, including retention times;
 - the altitude at which drones can or do fly;
 - drones' ability to carry weapons

The Staff Judge Advocate, Director of Operations, Director of Intelligence and Director of Acquisition were tasked to review your FOIA request for responsive records. The Director of Acquisition is not responsible for submitting proposals for acquisition of drones. The Staff Judge Advocate, Director of Intelligence and Director of Operations has not authored any records

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regarding policy, guidelines, manuals, instructions or plans for Air Force approval to use drones in the future.

Department of Defense Regulation 5400.7 indicates fees be assessed for processing this request; however, there were no fees assessed in this instance. If you have any questions, please contact me at (757) 764-2261 or email me at acc.foia@langley.af.mil.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rand Bethea". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rand" and last name "Bethea" clearly distinguishable.

RAND BETHEA

Freedom of Information Act Manager
Air Combat Command

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